

PART H, DIVISION II

MENTAL HEALTH AND ALCOHOL AND OTHER

DRUG ABUSE SERVICE PROVIDERS:

51.42 BOARD OWNED-AND-OPERATED CLINICS

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MENTAL HEALTH AND ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE SERVICES INTRODUCTION

The Wisconsin Medical Assistance Program (WMAF) is governed by a set of regulations known as the Wisconsin Administrative Code, Rules of Health and Social Services, Chapters HSS 101-108, and by state and federal law. These regulations are interpreted for provider use in two parts of the WMAF Provider Handbook. The two parts of the handbook are designed to be used in conjunction with each other and with the Wisconsin Administrative Code.

Part A of the WMAF Provider Handbook includes general policy guidelines, regulations, and billing information applicable to all types of providers certified in the WMAF. The service specific part of the handbook includes information on provider eligibility criteria, covered services, reimbursement methodology, and billing instructions. Each provider is sent a copy of the Part A and appropriate service specific part of the handbook at the time of certification.

Additional copies of provider handbooks may be purchased by completing the order form in Appendix 36 of Part A of the WMAF Provider Handbook.

When requesting a handbook, be sure to indicate the type(s) of service provided (e.g., physician, chiropractic, dental) and document number.

It is important that both the provider of service and the provider's billing personnel read all materials prior to initiating services to ensure a thorough understanding of WMAF policy and billing procedures.

NOTE: For a complete source of WMAF regulations and policies, the provider is referred to the Wisconsin Administrative Code, Chapters HSS 101-108. In the event of any conflict in meaning between HSS 101-108 and the handbook, the meaning of the Wisconsin Administrative Code will hold. Providers may purchase HSS 101-108 from Document Sales at the address indicated in Appendix 3 of Part A of the WMAF Provider Handbook.

Providers should also be aware of other documents, including state and federal laws and regulations, relating to the WMAF:

- Chapter 49.43 - 49.497, Wisconsin Statutes.
- Title XIX of the Social Security Act and its enabling regulations, Title 42 - Public Health, Parts 430-456.

A list of common terms and their abbreviations appears in Appendix 30 of Part A of the WMAF Provider Handbook and also in the Wisconsin Administrative Code, Chapter HSS 101.

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